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Subject: Re: Weekend Report from R8

Will do. thx

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On Dec 14, 2014, at 7:33 PM, Adm13McCarthy, Gina <Adm13McCarthy.Gina@epa.gov> wrote:

Can you please connect with OAR about Powertech since they have ongoing rulemaking on in-situ uranium recovery.

Thanks for the work on the Libby rollout. It went way better than folks had anticipated.

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On Dec 14, 2014, at 9:13 PM, McGrath, Shaun <McGrath.Shaun@epa.gov> wrote:

Weekend Report from R8

Libby, MT -- The rollout of the Risk Assessment and tox values went very well last week, including positive press coverage and supportive comments from local elected officials.

Andrew Johnson -- You might recall, Mr. Johnson is the person who built a dam and fishing pond on his property in Wyoming without a 404 permit, and when we approached him earlier this year, he went to his Congressional delegation and Fox News to bash EPA. Last week, the acting head of R8's enforcement program and a representative from the Corps' Omaha Office met with Mr. Johnson and his attorneys to discuss a possible settlement. We offered settlement terms that appear to have been well received, and we are very encouraged that we will be able to reach agreement. Beyond the good news about a possible settlement, I was very pleased that the Corps was willing to play a supportive role with us.

Powertech USA Inc. -- I will meet this week with the CEO of Powertech, which has proposed the operation of an in-situ recovery uranium site in South Dakota. Currently before us are a UIC Class III and Class V permit and an aquifer exemption. This will be the first EPA Class III in-situ recovery Area Permit. We are coordinating with OGC and OW as well as the State of SD and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. It is an issue that has drawn concerns from a number of Tribes given that it is in an area of the Southern Black Hills which are historic sacred tribal lands. Powertech requested the meeting to discuss the status of their permit applications.

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